To: Poy, Thomas[poy.thomas@epa.gov]; Bair, Rita[bair.rita@epa.gov]; Deltoral, Miguel[deltoral.miguel@epa.gov] Cc: Kaplan, Robert[kaplan.robert@epa.gov]; Ballotti, Doug[ballotti.douglas@epa.gov]; Alcamo, Thomas[alcamo.thomas@epa.gov]; Short, Thomas[short.thomas@epa.gov]; Drexler, Timothy[drexler.timothy@epa.gov]; Korleski, Christopher[korleski.christopher@epa.gov] From: Korleski, Christopher Sent: Wed 4/26/2017 9:59:58 PM Subject: East Chicago and Soil Excavation Related BMPs
Hey Tom, Rita, and Miguel:
At Monday's East Chicago Meeting, SFD acknowledged the BMPs noted in Miguel's final memo on the pilot study, but noted that its contractors would likely not be able to implement the following recommendation without incurring increased costs and/or delays:
o Soil Work Recommendations
• Minimize vibration of the ground near and above LSLs. For example, cut asphalt/concrete rather than jackhammering.
Recognizing that the BMP's cited in the pilot study report are based on an "abundance of caution", that only one of the pilot study sites showed a statistically significant increase of Pb post -excavation, and IDEM's provision of filters to the homes where excavation is occurring, I think the most important thing is for the excavation and removal of the contaminated soils to be undertaken as quickly as possible, even if it is not feasible for the highlighted BMP to be implemented.
SFD did not express any concerns with Miguel's post-excavation flushing recommendations, which further alleviates any concerns on my part.
Thanks.
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